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TOWN OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator	
RALPH M. HUTCHINS	1945
Town Clerk	
EDWARD B. FULLER	1945
Treasurer	
CLAUD D. JOHNSON	1945
Selectmen	
BERNARD C. NUGENT	1945
BERT STINSON	1946
HAROLD RAMSAY	
Tax Collector	
HAZEN KENNEDY	1945
Health Officer	
ROGER HUNT	1945
Library Trustees	
ETHEL JOHNSON	1945
MARY L. NUGENT	1946
LENA J. RICH	1947
Supervisors of Check List	
HAROLD B. HAPGOOD	1946
WALTER NILES	1946
LESLIE BARNETT	1946
Town Road Commissioner	
ARCHIE PORTIGUE	1945
Trustee of Trust Funds	
PAULINE HUNT	1945
DELIA HAPGOOD	1946
DOROTHY HAPGOOD	1947

Cemetery Trustees

LESLIE E. BARNETT	1945
HUGH JOHNSON	1946
FREDERICK HAPGOOD	1947

Public Health Nurse

DELIA B. HAPGOOD	1945

Memorial Day Committee

REV. J. A. VACHON	1945

Municipal Court

WILLARD A. RUCH	1945

Auditor

STATE TAX COMMISSION

TOWN WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratford, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall, in the village of North Stratford, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, 1945 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To elect a clerk for the ensuing year.

2. To elect two auditors for the ensuing year, or to see if the town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the division of municipal accounting, and to make appropriation to cover the expense of such an audit.

3. To elect a treasurer for the ensuing year.

4. To elect one selectman for three years, and all other town officers.

5. To see if the town will continue the services of the public nurse and raise money for same.

6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for highways, bridges, and town maintenance.

7. To see what sum of monies the town will vote to raise for: Libraries, Memorial Day, Skating Rinks, Sewers, Street Lighting, Retirement of Bonds, Long Term Notes, Interest, Insurance, Personal Bonds, any other monies for the town.

8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to pledge the credit of the town to raise funds in anticipation of taxes, when necessary for the payment of obligations.

9. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the town through tax collector's deeds, or any other property owned by the town.

10. To see if the town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to sell the so-called Cora Graham property now owned by the town, at public auction, or private sale, and to execute to the purchaser warranty deed thereof in behalf of the town.

11. To see if the town will vote to allow discount on any part of the taxes paid before a certain date.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise $25.00 as a contribution for the White Mountains Region Association, for the purpose of advertising the town.

13. To hear reports of agents, officers and committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relative thereto.

Given under our hand and seal at Stratford, this 10th day of February, A. D. 1945.

BERNARD C. NUGENT,
BERT STINSON,
HAROLD W. RAMSAY,
Selectmen Town of Stratford.

BUDGET FOR 1945

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945, compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year February 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944.

Sources of Revenue

	Actual 1944	Est. 1945
From State:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	$ 38.61	$ 38.61
Railroad Tax	1085.80	1085.80
Savings Bank Tax	190.66	190.66
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	250.00	250.00
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
Water Departments	2000.00	2000.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	500.00	500.00
Health Department	500.00	500.00
Total Revenues from all Sources except Property Taxes	$4565.07	$4565.07
Amt. to be raised by Prop. Taxes		38747.47
Total Revenues	**$4565.07**	**$4565.07**

Purposes of Expenditures

	Actual 1944	Est. 1945
Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	$1102.32	$1102.32
Town Officers' Expenses	513.89	513.89
Election and Registration Exp.	57.00	

Municipal Court Expenses	26.00	26.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	1093.33	1093.33
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Bounties	97.00	97.00
Fire Department	155.92	155.92
Observation Post	13.80	
Health:		
Health Dept., including hospitals	1959.55	1959.55
Vital Statistics	19.75	19.75
Sewer Maintenance	248.80	248.80
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance: Summer	84.42	84.42
Town Maintenance: Winter	652.62	652.62
Street Lighting	1020.00	1020.00
General Expenses Town	250.60	250.60
Town Road Aid	16.98	16.98
Print Town Reports	180.00	180.00
Libraries:		
Libraries	405.60	400.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	1432.69	1432.69
Old Age Assistance	496.39	496.39
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day	60.90	60.90
Recreation:		
Parks and Playground, incl. band concerts	141.00	141.00
Public Service Enterprises:		
Municipally owned Water and Electric Utilities	207.68	207.68
Interest:		
On Temporary Loans	293.75	293.75
On Bonded Debt	1426.25	2100.00
On Long Term Notes		522.50

Indebtedness:		
Payment on Principal of Debt:		
Bonds		4000.00
Long Term Notes	2000.00	1000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
County Taxes	5236.45	5236.45
Payments to School Districts	19000.00	19000.00
Abatement $1147.35, Tax Sale $692.53	1839.88	
Total Expenditures	**$40032.57**	**$42312.54**

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY OF TOWN

Lands and Buildings (Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	$614,804.00
109 Horses	14,825.00
387 Cows	38,155.00
10 Other Neat Stock	715.00
4 Sheep	40.00
16 Hogs	495.00
7 Vehicles	5,300.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	38,039.26
16 Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	2,455.00
Stock in Trade	29,583.00
Mills and Machinery	136,180.00
Total Valuation	**$880,591.26**

200 Regular Poll Taxes at $2.00	$400.00
200 Special Poll Taxes at $3.00	$600.00
Total amount of taxes for town purposes to be committed to collector including town and precinct taxes, regular poll taxes and national bank taxes	$52,834.48
Regular Poll Taxes	200.00
Special Poll Taxes	600.00
Total Taxes to be Committed to Collector	$53,634.48
Average rate of taxation per $100 valuation for all purposes	$6.00
Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers	$11,000.00

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

BERNARD C. NUGENT,
BERT STINSON,
Selectmen of Stratford, N. H.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall and Buildings	$ 12,000.00
Town Hall, Furniture and equipment	2,000.00
Libraries, lands and buildings	2,500.00
Libraries, furniture and equipment	2,000.00
Police Department, lands and buildings	2,000.00
Police Department, equipment and vault	1,000.00
Fire Dept., including lands and buildings	2,500.00
Fire Department, equipment	2,500.00
Highway Department, lands and buildings	500.00
Highway Department, equipment	1,000.00
Highway Dept., materials and supplies	100.00
Parks, commons and playgrounds	2,000.00
Water supply, if owned by the town	115,000.00
Schools, lands and buildings	84,800.00
School Equipment	11,000.00
Town house and equipment at Center	2,000.00
Town histories	1,800.00
Total	**$244,700.00**

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures - Town of Stratford, N. H.
For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1944

	Bal. 1944	Appropriations	Reimbursements	Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Bal.
Current Maintenance Expense:						
General Government:						
Town Officers' Salaries		$ 1300.00		$1300.00	$1102.32	$197.00
Town Officers' Expenses		500.00		500.00	513.89	
Election and Registration		100.00		100.00	57.00	43.00
Municipal Court		125.00		125.00	26.00	99.00
Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.		1400.00	$250.00	1650.00	1093.33	556.67
Protection of Persons and Property:						
Police Department		300.00		300.00	13.80	286.20
Fire Department		300.00		300.00	108.00	192.00
Health:						
Health Department, including hospitals		1800.00	500.00	2300.00	1989.55	310.45
Vital Statistics		50.00		50.00	19.75	30.25
Sewer Maintenance		300.00		300.00	248.80	51.20

Highways and Bridges:					
Town Maintenance		1500.00	1500.00	737.04	762.96
Street Lighting		1020.00	1020.00	1020.00	
Town Road Aid		79.96	79.96	16.98	62.98
Libraries:					
Libraries	400.00	400.00	800.00	405.60	
Public Welfare:					
Town Poor		2000.00	2000.00	1432.69	567.31
Old Age Assistance		400.00	400.00	469.39	
Soldiers' Aid and their families		200.00	200.00		200.00
Patriotic Purposes:					
Memorial Day		100.00	100.00	60.90	39.10
Recreation:					
Parks and Playgrounds		300.00	300.00	141.00	159.00
Public Service Enterprises:					
Municipal Owned Water & Elec. Utilities		500.00	500.00	207.68	292.32
Cemeteries		25.00	25.00		25.00
Interest:					
Temporary Loans		200.00	200.00	293.75	
Bonded Debt		2300.00	2300.00	903.75	1396.25

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures - Town of Stratford, N. H.

(Continued)

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1944

	Bal. 1944	Appropriations	Reimbursements	Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Bal.
Long Term Notes		550.00		550.00	522.50	27.50
Payments on Principal of Debt:						
Bonds		4000.00		4000.00	2000.00	2000.00
Long Term Notes		1000.00		1000.00		1000.00
Temporary Loans	10000.00	10000.00	15000.00	25000.00	25000.00	
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:						
County Taxes		7000.00		7000.00	5236.45	1763.55
School District:						
Appropriation 1944-45	6711.55	19000.00		25711.55	19000.00	
Dog Taxes	203.80		138.95	342.75		
Tax Abatements and Sold to Town					1839.88	
Special Poll Tax					762.00	
General:						
Unclassified Expenditures as follows		1500.00		1500.00		

Bounties					97.00	
Auditing					127.15	
Insurance					79.17	
Auto Permits					62.20	
Printing Town Reports					180.00	978.98
Bridge Repairs	1500.00			1500.00		
Snowplow		800.00		800.00		
	$18815.35	$59049.96	$15888.95	$83674.30	$65794.57	$11040.72

Balances—Total Ovedrawn, $2805.91

Balances to 1945, No Assets; Total Liabilities, $9,748.70.

BALANCE

Assets

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer	$7341.07	
In hands of officials:		
Tax Collector	8288.31	
Water Collector	136.11	
Municipal Court	11.75	
		$15,777.24
Other Bills due Town:		
Water Department		2,649.70
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1943	489.17	
Levy of 1942	327.35	
Levy of 1941	198.05	
Previous Years	910.08	
		1924.65
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1944		6,352.61
Total Assets		**$26,704.20**
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)		44,899.10
Grand Total		**$71,603.30**
Net Debt—Surplus, Jan. 31, 1944	$63,684.07	
Net Debt—Surplus, Dec. 31, 1944	44,899.10	
Decrease of Debt	$18,784.97	

SHEET

Liabilities	
Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Special $3.00 Poll Taxes: Uncollected—due State when collected	$ 549.00
Due to School Districts: Dog licenses	342.75
Due to School Districts: (Balance of Appropriation to July 1, 1945)	6,711.35
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Water Notes, 2 3-4 Pc., Issue of 1938	19,000.00
Bonds Outstanding:	
Water Bonds, 5 Pc., Issue of 1920	22,000.00
Water Bonds, 5 Pc., Issue of 1921	23,000.00
Total Liabilities	**$71,603.30**
Grand Total	**$71,603.30**

RECEIPTS AND

Receipts

From Local Taxes:		
Property taxes, Current Year, actually collected	$38,826.47	
Poll taxes, Current Year, Regular at $2, actually collected	488.00	
Poll taxes, Current Year, Special at $3, actually collected	762.00	
Total of Current Year's collections		**$40,076.47**
Tax sales redeemed		5,307.51
From State:		
Interest and dividend tax		38.61
Railroad tax		1,085.80
Savings bank tax		190.66
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
Dog licenses		138.95
Rent of town property		865.50
Interest received on taxes		306.57
Appropriations to general municipal funds from municipally owned utilities		2,466.06
Registration of motor vehicles, 1943-44 Permits		588.28
Total Current Revenue Receipts		**$51,064.41**

(Carried forward)

PAYMENTS

Payments	
Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Goverment:	
Town officers' salaries	$ 1,102.32
Town officers' expenses	513.89
Election and registration expenses	57.00
Municipal court expenses	26.00
Expenses town hall and other town bldgs.	1,093.33
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police department	13.80
Fire department, including forest fires	108.00
Health:	
Health department, including hospitals	1,989.55
Vital statistics	19.75
Sewer maintenance	248.80
Highways and Bridges:	
Town Road Aid	16.98
Town Maintenance (Summer, Winter)	737.04
Street lighting and sprinkling	1,020.00
Libraries:	
Libraries	405.60
Public Welfare:	
Old age assistance	496.39
Town poor	1,432.69
Patriotic Purposes:	
Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises	60.90
Recreation:	
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	141.00
Public Service Enterprises:	
Appropriations to water and electric utilities	207.68

RECEIPTS AND

Total receipts brought forward		$51,064.41
Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:		
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	$15,000.00	
Refunds	6.46	
District Nurse	316.00	
Miscellaneous	104.84	
Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue		**$15,427.30**
Total Receipts From All Sources		**$66,491.71**
Cash on hand February 1, 1944		6,643.93
Grand Total		**$73,135.64**

PAYMENTS [continued]

Unclassified:		
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds		1,839.88
Total Current Maintenance Exp.		**$11,530.60**
Interest:		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	$293.75	
Paid on long term notes	522.50	
Paid on bonded debt	903.75	
Total Interest Payments		1,720.00
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	25,000.00	
Payments on bonded debt	2,000.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		27,000.00
Payments to Other Govermental Divisions:		
Special Poll Taxes at $3 paid to State	$ 762.00	
Taxes paid to County	5,236.45	
Payments to School Districts	19,000.00	
General	545.52	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		25,543.97
Total Payments for all Purposes		**$65,794.75**
Cash on hand December 31, 1944		7,341.07
Grand Total		**$73,135.64**

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1944	$ 35.08
Collections 1944	2567.09
Total	$2602.17
Amount turned to Treasurer	2466.06
Cash on Hand	$ 136.11
Total charges 1944	$5877.59
Abatements	374.55
	$5503.04
Collections	2567.09
	$2935.95
Vacancy	286.25
Unpaid	$2649.70

FRANK A. SMITH,

Collector.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Number of Marriages in Town	6
Number of Births in Town	7
Number of Deaths in Town	10
Number of Automobiles Registered, Jan. 1, 1944 to Jan. 1, 1945	249
Amount of Money Collected	$574.75
Paid to Treasurer	$578.26
Amount of money collected for Dog Tax in 1944	$127.00
Mar. 9, 1944, Paid to Treasurer for 1943 Tax	$ 12.00
Jan. 20, 1945, Paid to Treasurer for 1943 and 1944 Tax	$126.95

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD B. FULLER,
Town Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Feb. 1st, 1944 to Jan. 1st, 1945

FEBRUARY, 1944

Receipts

Feb.		
20	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	$421.25
28	Mrs. George Brochu, Town Hall Rents	38.00
	Stratford Lodge, No. 30, K. of P., Rent of Lodge Rooms to Jan. 1, 1944	500.00
		$959.25

Expenditures $2,358.05

MARCH, 1944

Receipts

Mar.		
9	Edward B. Fuller, 1944 Auto Tax	$149.39
	Edward B. Fuller, 1943 Auto Tax	10.02
	Edward B. Fuller, 1943 Dog Tax	12.00
17	Edward B. Fuller, 1944 Auto Tax	110.73
		$282.14

Expenditures $2451.92

APRIL, 1944

Receipts

Apr.		
5	Edward B. Fuller, 1944 Auto Tax	$ 181.69
10	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Levy	982.75
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Poll Tax	114.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Interest	9.41
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1942 Poll Tax	2.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1939 Redeemed Taxes, Wm. King	21.30

	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1941 Redeemed Taxes, Wm. King		23.79
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1942 Redeemed Taxes, Wm. King		22.06
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1930 Redeemed Taxes, Irving Boudle		17.82
13	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents		408.08
28	Lincoln R. Young & Co., Note by Selectmen		14706.25
			$16489.15
	Expenditures	$3,428.77	

MAY, 1944

Receipts

May			
5	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. for April		$ 42.00
22	Tony Dumont, Town Hall Rents		21.50
28	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents		147.50
	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. for Fee—May		56.00
			$267.00
	Expenditures	$2594.14	

JUNE, 1944

Receipts

June			
27	Edward B. Fuller, 1944 Auto Tax		$76.30
	Expenditures	$1,962.78	

JUIY, 1944

Receipts

July			
6	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Poll Tax		$ 186.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Poll Tax		22.00

	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Special Poll Tax ($3.00)	288.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Levy	910.73
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1942 Levy	913.56
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Interest (Kimball Est.)	24.79
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1942 Interest (Kimball Est.)	217.27
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1941 Levy (Kimbell Est.)	365.82
7	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. for June	32.50
21	F. A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	161.18
		$3,121.85

Expenditures $894.90

AUGUST, 1944

Receipts

Aug.		
22	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	$137.94
28	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	241.63
	W. S. Darley & Co., Refund	6.46
	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Credit on Phone 73	2.28
	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Credit on Phone 75	3.08
		$391.39

Expenditures $1,787.09

SEPTEMBER, 1944

Receipts

Sept.		
11	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Poll Tax	$ 82.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Poll Tax	4.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Special Poll Tax	126.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Levy	1196.62

	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1941 Levy	146.66
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1940 Levy	44.06
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1938 Levy	221.47
	Interest	52.50
		$1,873.31

Expenditures $4,022.95

OCTOBER, 1944

Receipts

Oct.		
3	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. for July, Aug., Sept.	$ 99.00
16	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	197.50
	E. B. Fuller, 1944 Auto Tax	48.40
	Stratford Lodge, No. 30, K. of P., Rent of Lodge Rooms	250.00
26	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	318.08
		$912.63

Expenditures $3043.10

NOVEMBER, 1944

Receipts

Nov.		
4	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Poll Tax	72.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Poll Tax	4.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Special Poll Tax	117.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Levy	4,825.58
13	Tony Dumont, Town Hall Rents	46.50
	Myles Standish, Junk money	71.00
14	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	229.20
		$5,365.28

Expenditures $5,450.71

DECEMBER, 1944

Receipts

Dec.		
9	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. for Oct., Nov.	$ 86.50
11	Young Peoples Society, Sale of Town Histories	5.25
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Poll Tax	148.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Special Poll Tax	231.00
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1944 Levy	34,000.89
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1943 Levy	156.26
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., 1942 Levy	138.61
	Hazen Kennedy, Coll., Interest	2.60
30	State of N. H., Savings Bank Tax	190.66
	State of N. H., Railroad Tax	1,085.80
	State of N. H., Interest and Dividends Tax	38.61
	Frank A. Smith, Coll., Water Rents	204.05
	Antiono Dumont, Town Hall Rents	9.50
	Town of Bloomfield, Vt., 1-3 Conn. River Bridge Repairs	17.23
	Edward B. Fuller, 1944 Auto Tax	11.75
	Edward B. Fuller, 1944 Dog Tax	126.95
	Edward B. Fuller, Filing Fees	6.00
		$36,459.66

Expenditures	$37,506.41	
Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1944		$ 6,643.93
Total Receipts		66,197.96
		$72,841.89
Total Disbursements		65,500.82
Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1945		$ 7,341.07

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

For Year Ending December 31, 1944

Nursing care visits	628
Obstetrical visits	8
Baby visits	57
Welfare visits	203
School	170
Clinics	2
	1,068
Fees Collected	$471.00
Paid to Treasurer	316.00
Cash on hand December 31 ,1944	$155.00

DELIA B. HAPGOOD,
Public Health Nurse.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Taxes Committed to Collector: Levy of 1944		
Property		$52,835.46
Polls at $2.00		840.00
Polls at $3.00		1,308.00
		$54,983.46
Added Taxes at $2.00		32.00
Added Taxes at $3.00		51.00
		$55,066.46
Remitted to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	$39,135.54	
Regular Polls at $2.00	488.00	
Special Polls at $3.00	762.00	
	$40,385.54	
Cash on Hand in Farmers & Trad. Bk.	8,288.31	
	$48,673.85	
Uncollected Property Taxes	5,491.61	
Uncollected Polls at $2.00	352.00	
Uncollected Polls at $3.00	549.00	
		$55,066.46

Taxes:

1942 Poll Taxes	$ 84.00	Abated
1941 Property Taxes	$ 19.50	Abated
Poll Taxes	$ 4.00	Abated
1939 Property Taxes	$350.00	Abated
Hutchins Est.	$490.00	Abated
Poll Tax	$200.00	Abated
1943 Poll Taxes Abated	$ 92.00	

Included in cash on hand is balance due from Harold Hapgood, 1934-35 Levy—$176.64.

Schedule B-2-d **TOWN OF STRATFORD** Hazen Kennedy, Tax Collector

Summary of Tax Sale Account February 1 to November 14, 1944

Tax Sale Account Levy of: DR.	1930	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938
Unredeemed Taxes—January 31, 1944	$17.82	$139.27	$92.92	$79.61	$79.24	$527.26
Additional Costs and Interest Collected						
Total	$17.82	$139.27	$92.92	$79.61	$79.24	$527.26
CR.						
Cash on Hand						
Cash in Bank						
Remittances to Treasurer	$17.82					$221.47
Abatements						.50
Unredeemed Taxes		$139.27	$92.92	$79.61	$79.24	305.29
Total	$17.82	$139.27	$92.92	$79.61	$79.24	$527.26

DR.

	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Unredeemed Taxes—January 31, 1944	$227.51	$131.21	$728.26	$1371.74	$689.43 (a)
Additional Costs and Interest Collected					
Total	$227.51	$131.21	$728.26	$1371.74	$689.43

CR.

Cash on Hand				$ 2.01	
Cash in Bank				136.60	
Remittances to Treasurer	$ 21.30	$ 44.06	$530.11	905.78	$ 44.00
Abatements			.10		
Unredeemed Taxes	206.21	87.15	198.05	327.35	645.43
Total	$227.51	$131.21	$728.26	$1371.74	$689.43

(a) Taxes Sold to Town August 19, 1944.

Schedule B-2-c TOWN OF STRATFORD Hazen Kennedy, Tax Collector

Summary of Previous Years' Warrants Period Feb. 1 to Nov. 14, 1944.

	1939	1941	1942
Uncollected Taxes—January 31, 1944	$10.40	$23.50	$ 86.00
Added Taxes			36.00
Total	$10.40	$23.50	$122.00
Remittances to Treasurer			$ 38.00
Abated	10.40	23.50	84.00
Total	$10.40	$23.50	$122.00

LIBRARY REPORT

Receipts

Feb. 1, 1944, Cash on hand		$276.72
April 12, 1944, Appropriation		400.00
Rent from Stratford Hollow Library		22.00
Fines from North Stratford Library		33.35
Miscellaneous		36.85
Total		$768.92

Expenditures

Rent for No. Stratford Library	$128.00	
Salary of Librarian	123.90	
Books	90.10	
Magazine subscriptions	8.60	
Expenses of librarian to Librarian's School	32.00	
Repairs to Laura Johnson Library Building	14.83	
Miscellaneous	5.59	
Total		$403.02
Jan. 1, 1945, Cash on hand		$365.90

ETHEL P. JOHNSON,
Treas. of Library Trustees.

MUNICIPAL COURT

January 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944

Receipts

Carried forward from Dec. 31, 1943		$ 6.05
Received in fines	$75.00	
Received in costs	13.25	
		88.25
		$94.30

Paid out to officers	$11.65	
Paid to Motor Vehicle Dept.	70.90	
		$82.55
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1944		11.75
		$94.30

W. H. RUCH,
Justice.

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Lots	Cash on hand Jan. 1st, 1944	Interest	Expended	Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1944
L. Johnosn				
N. Piper	$621.73	$12.48	$12.48	$621.73
J. Johnson				
I. Crown				
Florence French	200.00	4.02	4.02	200.00
Alice Wheeler	300.00	6.03	6.03	300.00
Clara Waters	100.00	2.01	2.01	100.00
Rev. L. W. Prescott	102.05	2.57	2.57	102.05
Eliza Connary	103.04	2.07	2.07	103.04
M. & J. O'Dowd	100.00	2.01	.50	101.51
Christopher Day	100.00	2.01	2.01	100.00
Ockington & Stone	200.00	4.00	4.00	200.00

A true record: Attest.

PAULINE HUNT,
DELIA HAPGOOD,
DOROTHY HAPGOOD,
Trustees. (By P. H.)

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING

STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

January 5, 1945

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Stratford for the fiscal year ended January 31, 1944, and the period from February 1st to November 15, 1944. In our opinion the Exhibits and Schedules correctly present the financial condition of the Town, together with the results of operations for the fiscal year ended January 31, 1944.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold G. Fowler,
Director.
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION.

Lawton B. Chandler
Frank W. Morrill,
Auditors.

Harry G. Hager,
Accountant.

EXHIBIT II—TOWN OF STRATFORD

Statement of Bonded Debt and Long Term Notes Showing Annual Maturities of Principal and Interest as of January 31, 1944.

	WATER BONDS 5% Issue of 1920	WATER BONDS 5% Issue of 1921	WATER NOTES 2 3-4% Issue of 1938
Original Amount of Issue	$70,000.00	$45,000.00	$23,000.00
Date of Issue	May 1, 1920	May 1, 1921	October 15, 1938
Maturity Date	November 1st	May 1st.	October 15th.
Interest Payable Date	May 1st and November 1	May 1st and November 1	April 1st and October 1st
Payable At	Lancaster National Bank	Lancaster National Bank	Lancaster National Bank

Maturities Year Ending:	Annual Maturity	Annual Interest	Annual Maturity	Annual Interest	Annual Maturity	Annual Interest
December 31, 1943					$1,000.00	
December 31, 1944	$2,000.00	$1,200.00	$2,000.00	$1,100.00	1,000.00	$ 522.50
December 31, 1945	2,000.00	1,100.00	2,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	495.00
December 31, 1946	2,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	900.00	1,000.00	467.50
December 31, 1947	2,000.00	900.00	2,000.00	800.00	1,000.00	440.00
December 31, 1948	2,000.00	800.00	2,000.00	700.00	1,000.00	412.50
December 31, 1949	2,000.00	700.00	2,000.00	600.00	1,000.00	385.00
December 31, 1950	2,000.00	600.00	2,000.00	500.00	1,000.00	357.50
December 31, 1951	2,000.00	500.00	2,000.00	400.00	1,000.00	330.00
December 31, 1952	2,000.00	400.00	2,000.00	300.00	1,000.00	302.50
December 31, 1953	2,000.00	300.00	2,000.00	200.00	1,000.00	275.00
December 31, 1954	2,000.00	200.00	3,000.00	75.00	1,000.00	247.50
December 31, 1955	2,000.00	100.00			1,000.00	220.00
December 31, 1956					1,000.00	192.50
December 31, 1957					3,000.00	165.00
December 31, 1958					3,000.00	82.50
Totals	$24,000.00	$7,800.00	$23,000.00	$6,575.00	$20,000.00	$4,895.00

REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF THE

TOWN OF STRATFORD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

SCHOOL WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Stratford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in the village of North Stratford, in said district, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March, 1945, at one o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a member of the School Board for ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To see if the district will vote to make any alterations in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District as determined by the School Board in its annual budget report.

8. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hand at said Stratford this tenth day of February, 1945.

LESLIE E. BARNETT,
FLORA STEVENS,
WALTER NILES,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LESLIE E. BARNETT,
FLORA STEVENS,
WALTER NILES,
School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Organization

	Term Expires
Chairman, Leslie E. Barnett	1947
Secretary, Flora H. Stevens	1946
Member, Walter L. Niles	1945
Treasurer, Edith M. Lowe	
Clerk, Edward B. Fuller	
Truant Officer, Delia B. Hapgood	
Auditor, Edward M. Fuller	
Moderator, Ralph Hutchins	
Supt. of Schools, Alonzo J. Knowlton	

Board meetings are called by the Chairman.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1944.

Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1943		$ 308.38
Received from Selectman:		
Appropriations	$17,000.00	
Dog tax		
Received from the State Treasurer:		
State Aid	4,122.13	
Federal Aid--Home Economics	499.34	
Received from all other sources	2,599.78	
		$24,221.25
Total amount available for school year		$24,529.63
Less school board orders paid		22,944.84
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1944		$ 1,584.79

EDITH M. LOWE,
District Treasurer.

July 5, 1944.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Date	From whom	Source	Amount
1943			
July 20	State Treasurer	Federal Aid	$ 211.00
Aug. 26	Stella Savage	Elementary tuition, VIII	27.00
Sept. 29	Selectmen	Taxation	2000.00
Oct. 25	Selectmen	Taxation	2500.00
Nov. 20	Selectmen	Taxation	2000.00
Dec. 14	Selectmen	Taxation	2500.00
Dec. 17	Columbia School District	H. S. tuition	37.50
Dec. 27	State Treasurer	Equalization	4122.13
1944			
Jan. 17	Town of Brunswick	H. S. tuition	231.00
Feb. 16	Selectmen	Taxation	2000.00
Mar. 21	Selectmen	Taxation	2000.00
Apr. 11	Selectmen	Taxation	2000.00
May 16	Selectmen	Taxation	2000.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS - continued

Date	From Whom	Source	Amount
June 3	Town of Bloomfield	H. S. tuition	862.50
6	Town of Maidstone	H. S. tuition	150.00
	Town of Maidstone	Elem. tuition	108.00
7	Town of Brunswick	Tuition	283.78
14	Town of Bloomfield	Tuition	862.50
24	Columbia School District	H. S. tuition	37.50
	State Treasurer	Federal Aid	287.77
	Total Receipts During Year		$24,221.25

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year Beginning July 1, 1943 and Ending June 30, 1944.

Receipts		
State and Federal Aid:		
Equalization fund for elementary schools	$4122.13	
Federal aid for vocational education	499.34	
Total		$4621.47
Income from Local Taxation:		
For support of elementary schools	$8721.25	
For support of high school	7042.20	
For salaries of district officers	210.00	
For payment of per capita tax ($2)	490.00	
For other obligations	100.00	
For superintendent's excess salary	411.55	
For truant officer and school census	25.00	
Total		$17000.00

Receipts - continued

From Sources Other Than Taxation:		
Elementary school tuition	$ 270.00	
High school tuition	2329.78	
Total		$ 2599.78
Total receipts from all sources		$24221.25
Cash on hand beginning of year, July 1, 1943		308.38
Grand Total		**$24529.63**

PAYMENTS

	Total Amt.	Gen. Exp.	H. Sch.	Elem.
Administration:				
Salaries of district officers	$ 200.00	$200.00		
Supt. excess salary	411.55	411.55		
Expense of Adm.	105.60	105.60		
Instruction:				
Teachers' salaries	14730.79		$7138.14	$ 7592.65
Text books	341.06		160.04	181.02
Scholars' supplies	552.31		282.71	269.60
Flags and appurtenances	19.33		14.33	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	15.40		15.40	
Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:				
Janitor service	933.00		325.00	608.00
Fuel	1383.21		687.58	695.63
Water, light, janitors' supplies	223.30		108.24	115.06
Minor repairs and expenses	210.29		121.36	88.93

PAYMENTS - continued

	Total Amt.	Gen. Exp.	H. Sch.	Elem.
Auxiliary Agencies:				
Transportation	3329.00		773.77	2555.23
Fixed Charges:				
Per capita tax ($2 per capita)	490.00	490.00		
Total	$22944.84	$1207.15	$9626.57	$12111.12
Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1944)	1584.79			
Grand Total	**$24529.63**			

BALANCE SHEET

Assets, June 30, 1944

Cash on hand:	
Balance June 30, 1944	$1,584.79
Due from others:	
Elementary tuition	67.50
Total Assets	**$1,652.29**

Liabilities, June 30, 1944

Accounts owed by district:	
(Unpaid bills)	
Delia Hapgood T. O.	$ 15.00
Town of Stratford, nurse	500.00
Leslie Barnett, supplies	18.90
Frederick Hapgood, transportation	97.00
Town of Stratford, water	100.00
Webster Pub. Co.	.27
D. R. Harriman, bal. salary	196.20
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.50
Public Service Co. of N. H.	13.68
Aaron Stevens	16.14
Northumberland School District	8.15
A. J. Knowlton, expenses	12.69
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., insurance	318.58
Total	$1,301.11
Amt. reserved for special purpose:	
High School	351.18
Total Liabilities	**$1,652.29**

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and financial records of the school board of Stratford and the records of the school district treasurer of Stratford, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1944, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDWARD M. FULLER,
Auditor.

July 7, 1944.

BUDGET FOR 1945-1946

School Board's estimate of the amount required to support public schools and to meet other statutory obligations for the year beginning July 1, 1945.

Detailed Statement of Proposed Expenditures

	High School	Elem. School
Support of Schools:		
Teachers' salaries	$8540.00	$8100.00
Text books	175.00	175.00
Scholars' supplies	250.00	250.00
Flags and appurtenances		10.00
Other expenses of instruction	25.00	10.00
Janitor service	325.00	605.00
Fuel	548.00	800.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies	100.00	150.00
Minor repairs and expenses	50.00	200.00
Medical inspection	30.00	480.00
Transportation	750.00	2690.00
Other special activities	75.00	25.00
Total	$10868.00	$13495.00
High School plus Elem. School equals		$24,363.00
Other Statutory Requirements:		
Salaries of district officers	$210.00	
Truant officer and school census	15.00	
Supt. excess salary	411.55	
Other obligations	99.45	
Fixed Charges:		
Per capita tax ($2 per capita)	484.00	
Insurance	225.00	
		$ 1,445.00
Total estimated expense		$25,808.00

Estimated Income of the District Other Than Taxation:

Balance June 30, 1945 (Estimate)	$ 672.00	
State Aid (Estimate)	3825.00	
Dog tax	75.00	
High School tuition (Estimate)	2000.00	
Elementary tuition (Estimate)	226.00	
Total estimated income		$6,808.00
Assessment required to balance budget		**$19,000.00**

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. BARNETT,
FLORA H. STEVENS,
WALTER L. NILES,
School Board.

Stratford, N. H.
January 20, 1945.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the Members of the Stratford School Board:

I hereby submit for your consideration, my eleventh annual report of the stratford schools.

At the close of the school year in June, we lost five teachers: viz., Donald R. Harriman, headmaster, who had been with us for the past ten years; Hollis F. Sawyer, teacher of science and mathematics, who went into the army; Mary L. Nugent, teacher of grades seven and eight; Beverly A. Moffett, teacher of grade six; and Helen McNeil, our substitute commercial teacher, who did very good work for us though she had had no special teacher training. During the summer, the positions were filled as follows: Headmaster and teacher of science and mathematics, John W. Day; teacher of social sciences, Mary Main; commercial teacher, Doris M. Bourassa; teacher of grades seven and eight, Selma K. Smith; and Mary E. Bennett, teacher of grades five and six.

The instrumental music, as in the past, is under the efficient instructor, Mr. G. E. Wentworth. The vocal music and group singing is carried on in a satisfactory manner by the various regular teachers.

Miss Delia B. Hapgood, as in the past, is head of the health department. Her report shows quite a few with defective vision and only about one-third of the cases have been corrected. A great number of defective teeth were reported with only about a ten per cent correction. About twenty per cent of the diseased tonsils have been corrected. Miss Hapgood should have better cooperation from the parents for the good of the children. The uncorrected defects re-

ported have a tendency to militate against most efficient progress in school and health. All children have been vaccinated.

The general statistical report contains some items of general interest which I shall enumerate. The fifteen pupils who had a perfect attendance record are: Lewis Allen, Joan Ellis, Bethany Sawyer, Armand Tetreault, Dwaine Curtis, Jane Cass, Walter Gniady, Norma Johnson, Marilyn Marshall, Richard Ramsay, Shirley Ricci, Annie Trecarten, Dudley C. Johnson, Daisy Bergeron, and Madeline Clayton. There were registered in the schools 255 different pupils with a per cent of attendance of 93.56. One hundred and seventy-five tardy marks were recorded. There were 22 non-resident pupils in the elmentary schools and 31 in the high school. Five school board meetings were held during the year. The school board members made four visits to the schools. The superintendent was credited with 564 visits and citizens with 197 visits.

The September school census showed 209 pupils in town between the ages of five and sixteen, but 22 of those, all between five and eight, were not in school. The total registration September 30th was 248, 36 of whom were over sixteen years of age.

The graduating class, June 1944, was composed of the following 14 pupils: Anita D. Bergeron, Marilyn G. Brown, Bernard D. Daley, Daniel D. Daley, Lawrence W. Graham, John Harvey Hapgood, Norma Johnson, Marilyn Marshall, Rilma G. Nason, Hazen Neal Ramsay, Earl W. Smith, Jean G. Taylor, Veronica M. Wakefield, and Barbara C. Walling. Owing to the travel restrictions, the class did not take the customary class trip. The travel conditions are no better this year.

Owing to conditions, due to the war, a few minor changes have been made in the school activities. It is hoped that the conditions may not be for long.

When viewed from all angles and all things are carefully considered, I think there is little reason to become pessimistic over the progress of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ALONZO J. KNOWLTON,
Superintendent.

Tables of Vital Statistics

Marriages Registered in the Town of Stratford N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1944.

Date and Place of Marriage	*Name and Surname of Groom and Bride*	*Residence at Time of Marriage*	*Age and Occupation of Groom and Bride*	*Place of Birth of Each*	*Name of Father*	*Name, Residence and Station of Person by Whom Married*
Dec 30 No. Stratford	Durwood H. Owen Helen A. York	Stratford Milan	42 Paper worker 38 Paper worker	Stewartstown Milan	Herbert Owen Edwin York	1 RevJAVachon 1 Stratford
June 3 Littleton	Curtis C. Parker Marilyn G. Brown	Battle Creek, Mich. Stratford	21 Merch't Marine 18 Student	Battle Creek, Mich. Stratford	Clifford Parker Earl E. Brown	1 RevFEFox 1 Littleton
July 17 No. Stratford	Donald W. Sheltry Pearl E. Corliss	Stratford Stratford	23 Farmer 16 At Home	Northumberland Brighton, Vt.	William Sheltry Clarence Corliss	1 RevAJBrunelle 1 No. Stratford
Aug. 3 No. Stratford	Lester B. Wood Ethel E. Bartlett	Slater, Missouri Bloomfield, Vt.	23 U. S. Navy 25 Teacher	Slater, Missouri Bloomfield, Vt.	Claude Wood Fred Bartlett	1 RevJAVachon 1 No. Stratford
Dec 30 Colebrook	Sherwood R. Allin Eva M. Potter	Stratford Colebrook	19 Soldier 19 Chambermaid	Groveton Stark	Horatio Allin Ellis Potter	1 C. O. StevensJP 1 Colebrook
Nov 20 No. Stratford	Claude M. Fearon Mildred E. Dowse	Colebrook Stratford	31 Electrician 28 Housewife	Bradford, Vt. Columbia	Burt Fearon Arthur Dowse	2 RevJAVachon 2 Stratford
Sept 1 Milan	John M. Jordan Maxine E. Robertson	Groveton Stratford	20 Paper maker 20 Paper maker	Groveton Lancaster	Ivan Jordan George L. Robertson	1 RevHACooper 1 Milan
Jan 29 Stratford	Walter Niles Rose Chapman	Stratford Stratford	49 Mill hand 27 Housework	Hallowell, Me. Stratford	Nathan Niles Edwin C. Chapman	2 RevRCSharp 1 Northumberland

Births Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1944.

Date of Birth and Name of Child if any	*Sex — L or S No. of Child*	*Name of Father*	*Maiden Name of Mother*	*Occupation of Father*	*Birthplace of Father*	*Birthplace of Mother*
Apr 2 Waverly May	F L 2	Ralph Blodgett	Eileen S. Fluery	Press Cutter	East Colebrook	Stratford
July 29 Edward Harlan	M L 1	Edward Connary	Lena M. Carrier	Farmer	No. Stratford	Bloomfield, Vt.
Mar 8 Denis Robert	M L 4	Antonio Dumont	Annette Carrier	Barber	Cookshire, Can.	Bloomfield, Vt.
Dec 30 Warren Holman	M L 6	Holman Dowse	Phyllis E. Reed	Truck driver	No. Stratford	Lemington, Vt.
Sept 29 Donna Mae	F L 3	Clifford L. Daniels	Althea M. Leighton	Resaw Operator	Spring Creek, Pa.	Stark
Nov 25 Richard Frank	M L 1	William Egan	Edith Bacon	Farmer	Stratford	Crystal
Sept 4 Annie Claudette	F L 4	Darwin Fuller	Edna Fuller	General Laborer	Bloomefild, Vt.	Stratford
May 30 Horace Edward	M L 4	Horace Goodrum	Mae Goodreau	Truck driver	Brockton, Mass.	Canaan, Vt.
Nov 6 Gail Jane	F L 2	Herbert Hurd	Nahvella Kimbrough	U. S. Army	Bloomfield, Vt.	Blythville, Ark.
Mar 30 Robert Walter	M L 2	Alton Hurley	Grace Weatherstone	Laborer	Stratford	Island Pond, Vt.
Apr 1 Laverna Nancy	F L 4	Kenneth McMann	Myrtle Griffin	"Dogger"	Stratford	West Derby, Vt.
Sept 21 Roberta Jean	F L 1	Robert Porter	Helen Leighton	U. S. Army	Lancaster	Lunenburg, Vt.
July 14 Mary Juliette	F L 7	Gerard Poulin	Aurore Bedard	Laborer	Canada	Canada
Jan 25 Paul Leon	M L 4	Robert Sargent	Ruby Chapman	Paper maker	Stowe, Vt.	Stratford
Mar 14 Gertrude Eileen	F L 3	Laverton Smith	Margaret Levesque	Mill worker	Bartlett	Berlin
July 21 George Dewey	M L 4	David Stone	Mary Ann Portigue	Woodsman	E. Stratford	E. Stratford
Feb 26 Richard John	M L 2	Carl Tetu	Blanche Gaudette	Farmer	Stratford	Groveton

Deaths Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1944

Date and Place of Death	*Name and Surname of Deceased*	*Age in Years, Months and Days and Place of Birth*	*Male or Female Single, Married, Widowed and Occupation*	*Name of Father*	*Maiden Name of Mother*
Jan. 23 No. Stratford	George Brochu	58| 6| 9|Canada	M W Railroad man	George Brochu	Delima Parent
Dec 23 Stratford	Horace Blodgett	82| 4|23|Groveton	M M Farmer	James Blodgett	Lucinda Cross
Dec 24 Stratford	Henry Brown	76| 3| 2|Stratford	M S Carpenter	Wellington Brown	Melissa Curtis
Feb 9 Lancaster	Elizabeth W. Curtis	42| 3|13|Groveton	F M At home	Daniel Marshall	Gertrude Weeks
Apr 10 Stratford	Annie L. Cook	73| | 6|Canaan, Vt.	F W Housewife	Charles Flanders	L. Bigelow
Nov 26 Whitefield	Mary G. Cass	42| 3|15|Stratford	F M Housewife	Robert Christie	Ida Hardy
Aug 5 Littleton	David H. Egan	80| 6|29|Biddeford, Me.	M W Carpenter	Richard Egan	Mary A. McLaughlin
Jan 19 N. Stratford	William A. Fuller	75| 9| 6|Colebrook	M W Lumberman	Luther M. Fuller	Fannie Carlton
June 13 N. Stratford	Cora A. Graham	79| 2|21|Bloomfield, Vt.	F W	Myron Fuller	Elizabeth Clough
May 17 Pittsburg	Nathan Lavaley	66| 2| 1|Chateaugay, N. Y.	M W Woodsman	John Lavaley	Nathalde King
Feb 20 Stratford	Howard A. Mann	43| 1|19|Shelburne, Mass.	M S Bookkeeper	William L. Mann	Annie A. Thorniley
May 9 Stratford	Jennie A. Owen	75| 6| 6|Stewartstown	F M Homemaker	Alanson Owen	Martha Tewkesbury
Nov 6 Stratford	Herbert J. Owen	81| |23|Stewartstown	M W Farmer	James A. Owen	Marion Rowell
Apr 2 Stratford	Delia Rathbone	80| 6| 9|Halifax, Can.	F W Housewife	Alex Carter	Celia Nadeau

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EDWARD B. FULLER, Town Clerk.

Another Enemy To Conquer!

Here is a home front fight that everyone can get into. Last year in this State 558 brush and forest fires burned over 4,648 acres of land, of which 2,788 acres were valuable timber and young growth. With available manpower the lowest of any year since the war started, you can help to keep this loss down by preventing these fires from starting.

Keep in mind these simple rules:

1. Always get a permit from your forest fire warden before starting any fires in the open. Burning under certain conditions is permitted.

2. Never burn unless you have enough help to control your fire—a permit does not excuse you of negligence in case it gets away.

3. Always report any uncontrolled fire promptly to your forest fire warden. Minutes lost are acres lost.

4. Be especially careful with cigarettes, matches and pipes. Smokers caused most of our fires.

5. Never leave a fire unless it is dead out. You can't feel safe while there is a spark left.

KEEP NEW HAMPSHIRE GREEN